

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi and Speaker Saiki:

I am sending this letter to wholeheartedly endorse Dane Wicker as Deputy Director for the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT).

Most recently, he served as Administrative Assistant at the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Planning and Permitting, coordinating and communicating administrative decisions, work programs, budgets, and objectives to all stakeholders.

He also previously served as the Chief of Staff for Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Committee Clerk for Senate Committee on Ways and Means, and Assistant to the Director of the Pacific Asian Studies at the University of Hawai'i East-West Center. In these roles, he prepared, reviewed, and provided recommendations on legislative and grant proposals.

Dane received a B.A. in political science from the University of Hawaii at West Oiahu and is currently pursuing a Masters in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

I have every confidence that Dane will serve the state well in his capacity as Deputy Director of DBEDT.

Mahalo,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i